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To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>

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- 34) [40263] CW speed
by "Edward A Kwik jr" <eakwikjr@hti.com>
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by Bruce Kizerian <kizerian@ced.utah.edu>
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by wd9eyb@butler.indiana.net
- 38) [40267] who's the tin man
by Scott Howell <whowell@hq.nasa.gov>
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by wd9eyb@butler.indiana.net
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by wd9eyb@butler.indiana.net
- 42) [40271] Re: RUFZ, Tape Recorder, DXer's Meeting, Dayton, Supercomm, HTML
by "Walter Dufrain" <walter@inlink.com>

- 43) [40272] Email de K5F0
by Chuck Adams <adams@ticnet.com>
- 44) [40273] Where's WB5UDE
by Larry East <w1hue@amsat.org>
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by Clifton W Sikes <ab5uacw@juno.com>
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by Karl.Kanalz@optelinc.com
- 47) [40276] Re: Regen receivers
by SKIPNC90@aol.com
- 48) [40277] Re: More fun with a sound card
by "Brian.Buydens@usask.ca" <buydens@duke.usask.ca>
- 49) [40278] SMD parts at Dayton, cheap
by "Mike Czuhajewski" <wa8mcq@erols.com>
- 50) [40279] Ham Radio stamps from Spain
by Allan G Taylor <k7gt@arrl.net>
- 51) [40280] Re: More fun with a sound card
by Jeff <fantbb@yahoo.com>
- 52) [40281] Ratt's!
by tom whalen <wb5qyt@eFortress.com>
- 53) [40282] Re: More fun with a sound card
by Laura Halliday <lha@sdr.utias.utoronto.ca>
- 54) [40283] Re: FOX: 1998/99 QRP-L FOXHUNT RESULTS.
by "Marshall Emm" <mgemm@mtechnologies.com>
- 55) [40284] [K2] Battery charging circuit question
by The Boices <boice@bigfoot.com>
- 56) [40285] FS/T stuff
by Clifton W Sikes <ab5uacw@juno.com>
- 57) [40286] Re: Ratt's!
by "Paul Harden, NA5N" <na5n@rt66.com>
- 58) [40287] World's Smallest WEB Server
by Larry East <w1hue@amsat.org>
- 59) [40288] Re: More fun with a sound card
by Stephan Greene <sgreene@patriot.net>
- 60) [40289] Re: FOX: 1998/99 QRP-L FOXHUNT RESULTS.
by "Paul R. Valko" <prvalko@oakland.edu>
- 61) [40290] Nerd Factor Multiplier
by Ed Loranger <we6w@qsl.net>
- 62) [40291] "K2-Unleashed" -- coming soon...
by "Radman" <radman@best.com>
- 63) [40292] RE: "K2-Unleashed" -- coming soon...
by "Ed Tanton" <n4xy@att.net>
- 64) [40293] RATT info
by tom whalen <wb5qyt@eFortress.com>
- 65) [40294] Re: Nerd Factor Multiplier
by "Mike Yetsko" <myetsko@insydesw.com>
- 66) [40295] Thanks for the rig offers!!
by kreinbd@ccgate.dl.nec.com (David Kreinberg)

- 67) [40296] Re: "K2-Unleashed" -- coming soon...
by "Richard E. Robinson" <rerobins@email.uncc.edu>
68) [40297] AR QRP Net tonight
by Robsparks@aol.com
69) [40298] Rectifier info ?
by "Tom Moll" <tomm@xata.com>
70) [40299] Code oscillator has new home
by Clifton W Sikes <ab5uacw@juno.com>

Date: Tue, 11 May 1999 18:59:21 EDT
From: J38AL@aol.com
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Subject: [40230] Re: LED night light?
Message-ID: <12225b0.246a1049@aol.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit
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In a message dated 5/11/99 9:12:34 AM Eastern Daylight Time, radman@best.com writes:

<< Great idea -- using red LEDs to save night vision. >>

Another place to look is Orion Telescopes & Binoculars at (www.telescope.com). We got there LED flashlight as a Xmas gift an it works great. Adjustable-brightness from zero to too bright. They say it works from 25 to 625 hours with the included 9 volt battery - \$24.95. And yes - the usual - no connection.

72 Al N2ZHS
Scotia, NY

Date: Tue, 11 May 1999 18:59:56 -0400
From: Bruce Muscolino <w6toy@erols.com>
To: RickM@firstlogic.com
Cc: QRP-L@LEHIGH.EDU
Subject: [40231] Re: First HF rig
Message-ID: <3738B66C.1E2@erols.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
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Rick,

There is no feeling like sitting down at your homebuilt Superwhizzes 9 and making contacts. There is also no feeling like hearing QSOs go on around you while you sit wondering why you aren't making them!

Transceivers vary from deadly serious to playtoys. Unfortunately many QRP transceivers billed as simple radios are playtoys. I would stay away from Pixies and their like, not because they are playtoys, they are, but because you'll get tired of neither hear nor working anyone! The same applies to those rigs that have limited tuning ranges. Typically hanging around QRP frequencies gets you either no QSOs or a lot of QRM. Only one person can use a frequency at a time!

The TenTec Scout is a very good rig for what it is. It does suffer from a few problems. I have a friend who uses on mobile and clearly loves it for that application. He says it is well suited to that. At home he uses a top of the line Kenwood and a K2.

Here I have used a Kenwood TS130V as my main station radio for about 18 years. It is the "QRP" version of the Kenwood TS130S. It has fulfilled all my operating needs very well. However, I was an experienced radio operator for many years before I bought it! I now also have a Drake TR-7. What a radio.

My suggestions follow those you have already heard. Buy a good HF radio, maybe a used one. Buy a 100 watt radio. They can all be turned down and you'll never regret it! If you want to go camping buy a small single band transceiver. They draw less current. If you are not into camping or portable operation get your experience first. go QRP later.

73

Date: Tue, 11 May 1999 18:07:48 -0500
From: "Steve Yates, AA5TB" <aa5tb@swbell.net>
To: <DBarrett@creo.com>, "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [40232] Re: Masthead Transceiver??
Message-ID: <007701be9c03\$17979e80\$9f37a497@aa5tb>
MIME-Version: 1.0
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Dave,

This is a common practice on the microwave bands where the feedline losses are great. On HF the losses usually just aren't great enough to make it worth the effort. Remember, a dB lost at 1 milliwatt of transmitter power will make exactly the same difference as a dB lost at 1000 watts (unless something burns up!). Folks often think the feedline loss for a given feedline are somehow greater when using QRP power levels. One should definitely try to put together the most efficient station possible though. But a dB, is a dB, is a dB.....

If your antenna is a km up the hill, then it would be worth the effort (or use open-wire line :-).

73,
Steve Yates
AA5TB
Fort Worth, TX
<http://home.swbell.net/aa5tb>
aa5tb@swbell.net

Date: Tue, 11 May 1999 19:36:28 -0400
From: Kent C Babcock <KCBabcoc@student.westshore.cc.mi.us>
To: "'qrp-1@lehigh.edu'" <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [40233] 80m
Message-ID: <E306E3610B07D211BDBD0060B0668440441702@bdc1.westshore.cc.mi.us>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain

A year or so before I subscribed to this list, I stumbled on to a few really nice folks hangirng around 3.560Mhz +/-5.

Thanks for the reminder, gang.

I asked one gent if he ever built his own equipment. With his qsl, he wrote a wonderful letter about his youth during WWII, and building a reciever with which to listen to the BBC, about the trouble he would have been had he been caught with his reciever, and his eventual arrival to the states.

Guess I'll turn the rig on to 3.560 & see if I can hear anyone. BTW, Small Wonder Labs upcoming DSW for 80m should be along in a couple months. (I can hardly wait!)

72,

Kent, N8WVD

Date: Tue, 11 May 1999 19:49:26 EDT
From: PUNISHER3@aol.com
To: w6toy@erols.com, qrp-1@lehigh.edu
Subject: [40234] Re: First HF rig
Message-ID: <991c1a3a.246a1c06@aol.com>
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Bruce, that's great advice.

Start with a 100 watt rig then after you get the skills down and you are looking for a new adventure, waddle down to qrp, which i have just recently done with the rig I just built. It a whole lot of fun to talk to people with low power, especially when you know that there is no "Power" knob that is calling for you to give it a few swirls clockwise.

73,
Ben
NW7DX
Redmond, WA

In a message dated 05/11/1999 4:11:33 PM Pacific Daylight Time, w6toy@erols.com writes:

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Date: Tue, 11 May 1999 19:52:17 -0400
From: Bruce Muscolino <w6toy@erols.com>
To: QRP-L@LEHIGH.EDU
Subject: [40235] 80 Meters
Message-ID: <3738C2B1.1A86@erols.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
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In a sense I really don't understand all this fuss about 80 meters. I will admit the band usage has fallen off during daylight hours, but it has been pretty active at night everywhere I've been. It is a good performer too.

I have worked a lot of DX during contests up there and worked nearly every ARRL section during Sweepstakes. All running 5 watts output QRP into a 130 foot end fed wire. AND I had good luck back in the condo days with the 45 foot stealth antenna too! Just get on the band and use it.

Forget about calling frequencies, who hangs out there anyway? Look up and down the band (within your allocation) for QSOs. It is QSOs that make for activity, not listening for other special signals. And upgrade. Many of the best signals are in the Extra class segment!

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Date: Tue, 11 May 1999 19:54:58 -0400
From: "Vincent Ferme" <vferme@sprint.ca>

To: <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [40236] Re: HR on CD?
Message-ID: <001701be9c09\$adf4e8a0\$c63467d1@vince>
MIME-Version: 1.0
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This from REC.RADIO.AMATEUR.HOMEBREW .

>>I just sent out a major portion of my HR collection for scanning.
>>The magazine is being put on CD at this moment. CQ
>>Magazine will be the CD's publisher.

>>Peter
>>Communications Quarterly Magazine

Date: Tue, 11 May 1999 20:39:47 -0400
From: "Kevin F. Glynn" <kfglynn@prodigy.net>
To: "QRP-L" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [40237] Opinions pse: Anyone use the TT Scout 555 and TS-50S?
Message-ID: <199905120042.UAA19938@pimout4-int.prodigy.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
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72 Kevin N2T0
Brooklyn, NYC
kfglynn@prodigy.net

Date: Tue, 11 May 1999 20:41:19 -0400
From: "Kevin F. Glynn" <kfglynn@prodigy.net>
To: "QRP-L" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [40238] Opinions pse: Anyone use the TT Scout 555 and TS-50S?
Message-ID: <199905120042.UAA30112@pimout4-int.prodigy.net>
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Looking for a rig that I can schlepp (Brooklynese for carry around) to the park, Field Day, trips, etc. Want to work CW and SSB at times. I have a 12v, 17 ahr and a 7v, 7 ahr battery and may get another if need be.

Not sure if a K2 is in my immediate future so may be going this route. Any feedback would be greatly appreciated.

72 Kevin N2T0
Brooklyn, NYC
kfglynn@prodigy.net

Date: Tue, 11 May 1999 21:13:08 -0400
From: Jerry Henshaw <jhenshaw@bellsouth.net>
To: "'QRP List'" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [40239] QRPp In South Florida??
Message-ID: <01BE9BF3.12DBB760@host-216-77-214-14.f11.bellsouth.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
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Hi Gang,

I am still waiting for my QRPP here in the Miami, Florida area.
Has anyone from Florida receive theirs?

See you in Dayton,

Jerry Henshaw
KR5L/4

Date: Tue, 11 May 1999 21:13:14 -0400
From: Hank Kohl K8DD <k8dd@tir.com>
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Subject: [40240] Re: Dayton Weather Report?
Message-ID: <4.1.19990511211238.01b35030@192.0.0.1>
Mime-Version: 1.0
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Since you asked.....

>From The Weather Channel for Dayton, OH
>http://www.weather.com/weather/us/cities/OH_Dayton.html?wxviewer

Thur	65	57	Scattered T-storms
Fri	69	51	Scattered T-storms
Sat	74	53	Partly Cloudy
Sun	81	58	Sunny

Lets hope that front moves a little quicker and doesn't stall.

73 Hank K8DD

At 10:57 AM 5/11/99 -0700, Brad WB8YGG wrote:

>So what's the poop What's the wx going to be at Dayton this year? :-)

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>

>See you there!

>73

>Brad WB8YGG

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>(N2JGU inspired me to post this!)

>Thanks Gary.

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>

*/ Hank Kohl K8DD k8dd@arrl.net
*/ ARRL TS http://www.tir.com/~k8dd
*/ MI-QRP - Vice Pres. QRP-ARCI - Director
*/ G-QRP ARRL/LM QCWA/LM QCAO/LM

Date: Tue, 11 May 1999 20:22:24 -0400
From: k5xu@concentric.net
To: <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [40241] Look out! It's a Van Load of Dayton First-Timers!
Message-ID: <01ba01be9c0d\$a3e42b60\$414aadce@mike>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Yes! After 30 years of reading about it, five friends and I will be part of it this year.

I hope to meet many of the folks from the busiest and my most favorite list.

72,
Mike, K5XU
Jackson, MS

Date: Tue, 11 May 1999 20:18:48 -0400
From: k5xu@concentric.net
To: <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [40242] CQ Philidelphia
Message-ID: <01b901be9c0d\$a28b5220\$414aadce@mike>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit
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I will be visiting in Rosemont, PA and adjoining portions of Philadelphia beginning May 21.

Please suggest friendly 2 meter or 440 repeaters which I can use with my ht.

73,

Mike, K5XU

Date: Tue, 11 May 1999 18:37:27 -0700
From: Bob Hightower <ki7mn@extremezone.com>
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Subject: [40243] Ft Tuthill hamfest
Message-ID: <199905120131.SAA15042@enterprise.extremezone.com>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"

I'm sure everyone :^) is getting ready for FDIM, but it's about time to think about the 1999 Ft. Tuthill hamfest and QRP Symposium. The QRP part is put on by the AZ ScQRPions, and features some great speakers, a large hamfest, and a great feed on Saturday night, as well as the infamous campfire council where lots of qrp goodies are cooked up.

We have once again reserved the group campground for those of you who want to stay on site. Reservations are not needed, and the cost is \$7.00 per site per night. Contact Jeff Johnson KJ7L0 (jeff@san-dc.com) if you have questions on the campsite. For those who prefer not to rough it, there are plenty of hotels/motels in Flagstaff, only about 5 miles North of the hamfest site.

We have lots of notables attending, lots of door prizes, and loads of fun, all at 7000' in the Ponderosa Pines. Come on down and join us, and check out my page from time to time for details (URL in sig line).

72,73

Bob Hightower KI7MN

<http://www.extremezone.com/~ki7mn>

Date: Tue, 11 May 1999 23:24:58 -0300
From: Ben Pooley <bpooley@bar.auracom.com>
To: qrp-canada@lists.gpfn.sk.ca
Cc: qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Subject: [40244] SB Mayflower log
Message-ID: <3.0.6.32.19990511232458.00795560@bar.auracom.com>
Mime-Version: 1.0
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Gang;

Spring Bouquet "Mayflower" log May 11 2300Z - May 12 0100Z

14MHz

		Sent	Rec'd					
2305Z	K5ZTY	559	339	Bill	Texas	QRP-C	#101	5w
2313Z	AF4LQ	339	439	Mike	KY		#43	
2320Z	VE6EY	449	559	Don	AB		#112	
2356Z	KD3FG	569	589	Jon	MD			5W

7MHz

No QSOs.....

Guess I'll have to give out more excuses than Mayflowers this time.... Thought I would try cranking down the old QRO rig to have a somewhat better RX, at least with RIT. Went OK for a while at about 4W, then it gave trouble.... fought it for a while and got back... more trouble... back to the HW-8... huge local noise!

The "old QRO rig" makes the HW-8 look young - it's a British KW2000A bought new in '66 and feeling neglected since the QRP bug struck.

My apologies to those whose time I wasted - it wasn't supposed to be that way.

72, Ben VE1AHX

Date: Tue, 11 May 1999 21:44:46 -0500
From: sda <sda@bellsouth.net>
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Subject: [40245] Question: 80M KniGHTSMiTe + SMT TiCK
Message-ID: <199905120235.WAA02669@mail4.lig.bellsouth.net>
Mime-Version: 1.0
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All the talk of 80M inspired me to build the KniGHTSMiTe 80M SMT rig last night. I also have a SMT TiCK keyer, and I am mounting both units in a small enclosure. The question is, is there a "safe" or feasible place on the SMiTe transceiver board to draw +3 to 5 VDC to power the keyer, or will I have to use a separate battery?

Thanks,

Todd Atkins, K4MSW
Baton Rouge, Louisiana
<http://www.qsl.net/k4msw>

Date: Tue, 11 May 1999 23:03:33 EDT
From: Dean W Manley <kh6b@juno.com>
To: qrp-1@Lehigh.Edu, Macstein@aol.com
Cc: kh6b@juno.com
Subject: [40246] F1 to HI on 14.060
Message-ID: <19990511.170513.5391.0.kh6b@juno.com>

Congrats, Mac HIQRP#83 on your 20m signal. You beat me out on calling the N8CGE, even tho he copied your call incorrectly. You proved you could get a signal into Hilo Hawaii, RST 009 to 329 on peaks. Thanks for giving it a good try. It's a little over a month since our QSO on 40m. I am using the K2 into the same 14AVQ trap vertical.

Aloha,
Dean KH6B HIQRP#1
Hilo Hawaii

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Date: Tue, 11 May 1999 20:28:07 -0700
From: "Bill Todd" <bill@willapabay.org>
To: <w6toy@erols.com>, "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [40247] Re: 80 Meters
Message-ID: <001c01be9c27\$7878e8c0\$ecadded1@bill>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

-----Original Message-----

From: Bruce Muscolino <w6toy@erols.com>
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Date: Tuesday, May 11, 1999 5:01 PM
Subject: 80 Meters

>In a sense I really don't understand all this fuss about 80 meters. I
>will admit the band useage has fallen off during daylight hours, but it
>has been pretty active at night everywhere I've been. It is a good
>performer too.

Hi Dean (and QRP-L) -

I must admit that 80 meters is not that great during the day, but if you are looking for a QSO between 0 to maybe 400 miles? out, 80 meters is a good performer.

Perhaps, as QRPers...we are generally looking for DX, and you won't find it on 80 meters during the middle of the day. So, that might explain why there is so little activity.

There ARE QRP Nets on 80 meters! One group that has nets is the NorthWest QRP Club. We have nets at 7:30 AM (PDT) on 3710 and again on Monday evening at 6:30 PM (PDT) on the same freq.

If you stalwart 80 meter QRPers can't find a QSO by calling "CQ", come join us.

CUL, Bill-N7MFB

Date: Tue, 11 May 1999 22:26:52 -0400
From: k5xu@concentric.net
To: <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [40248] TNX for Philadelphia INFO
Message-ID: <000601be9c1f\$e8ecb9e0\$334aadce@mike>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

That's the wonderful thing about this list; you get positive results quickly.

Thanks Russ, Richard, Tom, and anyone else who I may have omitted, for your responses.

See you on the air locally beginning May 21.

72,
Mike, K5XU

Date: Tue, 11 May 1999 23:22:45 EDT
From: Macstein@aol.com
To: kh6b@juno.com, qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Subject: [40249] Re: Fl to HI on 14.060
Message-ID: <a3e94288.246a4e05@aol.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

In a message dated 5/11/99 10:04:04 PM EST, kh6b@juno.com writes:

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> beat me out on calling the N8CGE, even tho he
> copied your call incorrectly. You proved you could
> get a signal into Hilo Hawaii, RST 009 to 329 on peaks.
> Thanks for giving it a good try. It's a little over a month
> since our QSO on 40m. I am using the K2 into the
> same 14AVQ trap vertical.

YES! YES! YES! I gave you 229-339 on peaks, but your numbers are more accurate. I was at 2 watts into the added fan for 20m on the attic dipole! QSB was long and slow, but I got your call the second try. I was working Stan's QRO 599+ with my phones behind my ears and gain all the way down, so I really had to adjust to your sig! (Dave, this rig is absolutely amazing -- even with my construction!) I got home too late to catch John N0JH/7 in WY, but I had just worked Doc, K0EVZ down on the FISTS freq. I think I solved my NC20 chirp with a husky power cord and 2.5m connector. THANKS AGAIN DEAN, and I've added my HI QRP number to my QSL pedigree.

-MAC-
KF4KSM

HIQRP# 83 QRP-L# 704 NorCal# 1998 FISTS# 5096 Zombie# 510 ARCI # 9843
(That's a lot of \$15.00 deadlines to miss -- thanks Doug!)

Date: Tue, 11 May 1999 20:39:18 -0700
From: Wayne Burdick <n6kr@elecrafter.com>
To: elecrafter@qth.net
Cc: qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Subject: [40250] Final list of K2 firmware enhancements for production
Message-ID: <v03102802b35e9af045a5@[206.80.8.230]>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"

Hi all,

Here is a quick look at the final list of new K2 firmware features. The firmware upgrade will be sent to field testers about the same time as the production kits are shipped. Many thanks for all the suggestions, which have come from both K2 builders and potential builders.

K2 FIRMWARE ENHANCEMENTS, MAY 11, 1999

GENERAL

- Low battery warning at about 10.5-10.9V; message flashed periodically

TRANSMIT

- Programmable transmit current limiting protects fuses, batteries, and finals if load impedance suddenly decreases; settable in 20mA steps (NOTE: this is in addition to the K2's new resettable thermal fuse)
- External keyer or computer can be connected along with keyer paddle (the "auto-detect" algorithm is now very reliable)
- Faster keying: up to 70WPM (external); int. keyer still 9-50WPM
- More CW message buffers; 9 buffers of over 150 bytes each
- One-button CW message chain and chain/repeat
- Programmable message repeat interval (0-255 seconds)
- Automatic word insertion during message record--allows you to pause

RECEIVE

- Up to four xtal filters can be set up per mode; FL2/3/4 can be turned off
- Filter status display via AFIL button (no need to cycle through filters)
- Scan resume function (from current frequency) can be assigned to PF1/PF2
- Scan lock time on strong signals is now 20 seconds (previously unlimited)
- CW normal/reverse sideband now stored per-band
- Dual RIT/XIT offset ranges (+/- 0.6 and +/- 1.2 kHz)

OPTION SUPPORT

- Ready for 160m/RXANT option, SSB adapter, ATU, NB, and host I/O
- Host I/O interface supports RIT clear and inc/dec (10Hz steps)

- Real-time clock display mode (w/host I/O adapter)

Date: Tue, 11 May 1999 21:56:12 -0600
From: Roy <marion@montana.com>
To: qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU
Subject: [40251] Fwd: Re: 80 Meters
Message-ID: <199905120354.VAA23413@mail.montana.com>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"

>

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>Subject: Re: 80 Meters

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>>us.

>>

I will give you guys a try. The K2 has been
in beacon mode for 40 minutes now. No replys. I think I am in a 80mtr dead
zone here in Montana. I know, everybody says there is lots of action on 80.
But unless there is a contest on, its very dead here. Roy AB7CE Montana

Date: Wed, 12 May 1999 00:02:36 EDT
From: "Jeffrey L. L. Greer" <wd4et@juno.com>
To: jhenshaw@bellsouth.net
Cc: qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU
Subject: [40252] Re: QRPp In South Florida??
Message-ID: <19990512.000321.3878.0.wd4et@juno.com>

Hi Jerry,

I received my QRPp here in Jacksonville, yesterday (5/10).

It's well worth the wait!

72, Jeff WD4ET

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Date: Tue, 11 May 1999 23:53:24 -0500
From: rex@ime.net (Rex Harper)
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Subject: [40253] Ride from Indianapolis to Dayton?
Message-ID: <v01530505b35eb5e017c7@[209.90.240.61]>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"

Hi fellow QRPers,

Anyone leaving the Indianapolis area late Friday afternoon for the Hamvention, QRP Banquet, or vendors night? If so, there is a vendor (me, W1REX "The Tin Man") who is looking for a ride to QRP Heaven Friday afternoon. Unforseen business problems have forced me to miss the FDIM seminar and fly to Baltimore to repair some equipment. I got a flight to Indianapolis Friday afternoon (arrives IND@ 3:30) but that is as far as my travel plans have taken me. My partner will already be at FDIM with the rental car etc. Trying to make it there for at least the grub and vendors night and Sat at the Hamvention.....

Anyone out there with a matching itinerary?

Will help with gas, tolls etc....

Will supply the mints....

Anyone....

Thanks!

Rex Harper W1REX The Tin Man...."If I only had a brain!"

Date: Wed, 12 May 1999 00:05:24 -0500
From: wpc@west.net (John L. Roblin / Whiterook Products Co.)
To: qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU
Subject: [40254] QRP LED Mini-Lights.....
Message-ID: <v01530506b35ebac07a7f@[205.254.241.215]>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"

Greetings!! In response to the recent discussion, just a quick reminder here that we manufacture and sell 4 different models of our Pocket QRP LED Mini-Lights (in our famous little red box of course!).

Photos & Descriptions of the Model MK-79 series at:

<http://www.west.net/~wpc/mk79.html>

Tnx/72,

-John WA6KY0

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John Roblin
Whiterook Products Company
"Mini-Keys, Binary Clocks, and Other Cool Stuff"
<http://www.west.net/~wpc/>
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Date: Wed, 12 May 1999 05:32:28 -0400
From: Richard Powell <wb6jbm@mpna.com>
To: qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU
Subject: [40255] QRP Field Day in Cincinnati
Message-ID: <1.5.4.32.19990512093228.0072e488@smtp.mpna.com>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"

Ok, well, Field Day planning season is upon us... and I am considering forming a small team to attack the event!

Looking for QRP oriented people who are not already committed to a team/club... near Cincinnati, OH, who would like to tackle Field Day from a State Park near here (Probably Paint Creek, Hueston Woods, or East Fork). So far, there is me (WB6JBM Advanced) and Matt (KC8KZI No-Code Technician). No other details have been formed,, since, if it is just us 2, we may just work with a local club... BUT if we can come up with at least 2 more people.....

73

/rick

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Richard Powell, WB6JBM, TENTEN 13044, QRP-L 1118,
Senior Network Engineer, Belcan IT Division
MCSE, CNA.
ripowell@mpna.com <http://www.mpna.com/ripowell>

Date: Wed, 12 May 1999 06:03:28 -0400
From: Peter_Simpson@ne.3com.com
To: elecrafft@qth.net, QRP-L@lehigh.edu
Subject: [40256] Modifying the Radio Shack switcher - SMT Resistor offer
Message-ID: <8525676F.003664FC.00@usboxmta.ne.3com.com>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-type: text/plain; charset=US-ASCII

Hi, it's me again with another offer. (No, this isn't spam)

For those of you who bought the Radio Shack switcher, and are modifying it to put out 14.1 volts, I have an offer.

I have access to an assortment of surplus 1206 resistors, and can probably (no promises, I couldn't find 62 ohms yesterday) send you a couple of surface mount resistors to replace that bulky trimpot.

If you have a Radio Shack switcher, and want to change the value of R1, just mail an SASE with a note telling me what value you want and I'll throw a piece of tape with a couple of them stuck on it in your envelope and mail it back to you.

I changed mine from 39 ohms to 68 ohms last night, and I'm now getting 14.1 volts no load and 14.08 under K2 receive & charge load.

Offer void where prohibited. Cash value 0.1 cent.

Peter Simpson, KA1AXY
POB 6634
Holliston, MA 01746

Date: Wed, 12 May 1999 12:05:04 +0100
From: Rogerio Gonzaga <gonzaga@med.up.pt>
To: qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU
Subject: [40257] My Web Page
Message-ID: <3.0.6.32.19990512120504.00927610@mail.med.up.pt>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"

Hi Folks,

I have added a QRP,a Homebrewing and a QTH pages to my web page, at

<http://www.qsl.net/ct1ett/>

I have also built a "professional" homepage at

<http://users.med.up.pt/gonzaga/page2.html>

Hope you like it...

Best 72/73 de Roger, CT1ETT
Rogerio Gonzaga, MD, PhD
Surgical Professor, Faculdade de Medicina do Porto

Radioamateur CT1ETT
<http://www.qsl.net/ct1ett/>

"Every morning I wake up wishing to have the serenity of accepting the things that I cannot change, the courage of changing the ones I can, and the wisdom of distinguishing between both."

Date: Wed, 12 May 1999 06:23:35 -0400
From: Bruce Muscolino <w6toy@erols.com>
To: vferme@sprint.ca
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [40258] Re: HR on CD?
Message-ID: <373956A7.16BF@erols.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Vince,

This is great news! Now, if they'd only do their own magazine!

73

Date: Wed, 12 May 1999 07:37:22 -0400
From: DNT1@daimlerchrysler.com
To: qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU
Subject: [40259] Trac memory keyer
Message-ID: <8525676F.003FDA11.00@lmgodd03.notes.chrysler.com>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Disposition: inline

Does anyone on the list have any information on the Trac TE-284 memory keyer? I picked one up from a hamfest but have no documentation for it. The keyer is working fine (after a couple of wiring changes to the key jack) but I can't get the memory functions to work. If anyone has any info/docs/schematics for this unit I will gladly pay copying/postage to for a copy of it. Thanks!

Don T. AI4CW QRP-L#1670

Date: Wed, 12 May 1999 07:46:06 -0400
From: "Paul Helbert, Wv3j" <phelbert@rica.net>
To: rex@ime.net
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [40260] Trade TT HT for DeBrand's Chocolate Truffels (was: Ride from Indianapolis to Dayton?)
Message-ID: <373969FD.3A3A85E7@rica.net>

MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Rex or anyone else in Fort Wayne or Indianapolis coming to Dayton,

What would be the chance of getting you to bring me a nice big box of assorted DeBrand's Chocolate Truffles?

I have a Ten Tec 2 meter HT to trade (needs work).

Paul, Wv3j

Date: Wed, 12 May 1999 04:51:41 -0700 (PDT)
From: Bradley Mitchell <wb8ygg@yahoo.com>
To: wpc@west.net, Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [40261] Re: QRP LED Mini-Lights.....
Message-ID: <19990512115142.28094.rocketmail@web601.mail.yahoo.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii

And as a user of one of these lights.. may I say that last year at field day, with one of Johns lights, we light up the rig all night with very little power!
73 everyone, see you at Dayton.
I'm outta here.
Brad WB8YGG

--- "John L. Roblin / Whiterook Products Co." <wpc@west.net> wrote:
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> <http://www.west.net/~wpc/mk79.html>
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> Tnx/72,
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> -John WA6KY0

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Date: Wed, 12 May 1999 07:34:24 -0600
From: Tim and Aretta Gordish <kb9lgj@leogate.kf9ug.ampr.org>
To: qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU
Subject: [40262] Tube rigs and A/C hum
Message-ID: <[l03110700b35f31e63648@\[209.181.171.199\]](mailto:l03110700b35f31e63648@[209.181.171.199])>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"

Sorry but this is not specifically QRP.

I picked up an old Majestic AM radio that has SW. It has very nice audio and it much easier to listen to than even my modern digital stereo tuner set on AM. The problem is it has an A/C hum that begins as soon as it is turned on, and gets louder as it warms up, then after being on several minutes it lessens but is still very noticable. There is a large filtering capacitor near the power input, and a Voltage Regulator tube. I suspect either of these, especially the VR tube since it doesn't have any noticable purple glow. Am I in the ballpark? Is there a list for tube rigs? I started my electronics experience working with tubes, and am thinking of building a little QRP tube trasmitter if I can find a schematic diagram somewhere. Any help would be appreciated since I really would like to fix this rig and use it daily for SWL.

73 de Tim
KB9LGJ

QRP-L #457 MN-QRP NORCAL FISTS AR-QRP

Date: Tue, 11 May 1999 12:01:59 -0400
From: "Edward A Kwik jr" <eakwikjr@hti.com>
To: "qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [40263] CW speed
Message-ID: <37385477.2245DBCD@hti.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

This thread has been close to home for me. I just switched from using a straight key to a keyer / paddle. Using the straight key makes adjusting the speed a no brainer. But my squeeze keying skills are so new that adjusting my sending speed up or down really wrecks havoc with my accuracy. So I am, for now, sticking to 15 wpm as a good compromise speed until I can send flawless CW. Then I will start adjusting. BTW I been getting two types of QSOs with my poor fist, the ones that understand and put up with it and ones that need to QRT right away. I found that the Novice sub bands are the best, followed by the QRP frequencies, and the rest of the frequencies are not too forgiving.

Ed Kwik AB8DF

Date: Wed, 12 May 99 08:09:17 -0500
From: Chuck Adams <adams@ticnet.com>
To: qrp <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [40264] Email es K5FO
Message-ID: <E10hYcy-0001Ui-00@smtp.ticnet.com>

-- [From: Chuck Adams * EMC.Ver #2.5.02] --

Gang,

I keep getting email that I have been too quiet.
Never thought I'd see the day or did you. :-)

If you have sent me email and I have not responded I apologize. I am not ignoring anyone it is just that I have one more fight on my hands with email.

Since Sept of last year I have had to use a PC to communicate with the outside world and it hasn't been a joy ride. Too many problems to list and some you know about already. I have gotten email from people wanting me to post how I rebuilt the system and all you need to know about W98. Can't do that. It'd take me more than a month to write it up and even though some of what I did isn't in the books there is no way that I can sit down or would want to sit down to write it up. Sorry, but life is just too short and there are too many QRP projects that need my attention.

The E-Mail Connection software has a serious design flaw and I've had all I can take of it. When you send me email and I "respond to sender only" -- instead of just pulling the email address from the header information the stupid program looks up your name in my address book which is updated the first time I get email from an individual. Even though you have changed your email address the program will use the old address. So when I respond to you there is a chance that I might not know that this is happening unless the mail bounces and even then I sometimes don't think about this problem until I run into the problem several times with the same individual. So Jim Larsen, KL7AFS, please send me email again. You got lucky. :-(;-)
You were one of these and I just thought of what the problem was again. I am dense some days.

So people, email me OFFLINE a recommendation for a mail program that I can download. This is last posting until I get the new mailer going today. I will clear the address book so that if I get a chance to respond it won't go into the bit bucket.....

I now think I have everything that I have lost over the past few months rebuilt and working madly today to catch up on email, postings, and building. And I am going to get on the air more. The last year has been the pits.... I had two laptops die on me

and hopefully a new Compaq will get me setup to
get back to practicing RUFZ. I lost my first place
in NTEX CW SS due to typos and I forgot to update the
log when I mailed it in. Won't happen again. Congrats
to KU7Y and K5WO who both beat me and several others.
Remember there is next year. :-)

QRP-L Police. You are on notice. Stop bothering
the troops. Anyone getting email from the "Self-appointed"
police just send me email. The problem will go away.
Remember what Clatu said to the scientists in the last
of the movie "The Day the Earth Stood Still"..... ;-)

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Chuck Adams K5FO adams@ticnet.com CP-60
<http://www.qsl.net/k5fo>

Date: Wed, 12 May 1999 06:59:23 -0600
From: Bruce Kizerian <kizerian@ced.utah.edu>
To: qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU
Subject: [40265] FS or FT: Power Xfmrs for Tube Regens
Message-ID: <37397B2B.B25C28FD@ced.utah.edu>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

I have a few Stancor PS-8415 used power
transformers--Primary 117V., Secondaries 6.3V @ 0.6A and
125V @ 15 mA. Great for tube regen radios. I would be
willing to part with some of them for a reasonable offer or
trade for QRP related stuff.

Bruce kk7zz

Date: Wed, 12 May 1999 08:11:47 -0500 (GMT+5)
From: wd9eyb@butler.indiana.net
To: w6toy@erols.com
Cc: qrp-l@lehigh.edu (QRP List)
Subject: [40266] Re: RUFZ, Tape Recorder, DXer's Meeting, Dayton, Supercomm, HTML
Message-ID: <199905121311.IAA07688@butler.indiana.net>

MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=US-ASCII
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit
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Oops. I gave the wrong impression. I've been to Dayton 23 times in a row. This will be my 24th time. I only get to go for 1 day though and that's Saturday. I go with our local radio club's bus tour and I'm usually the last one on the bus to leave. I know I'm seeing just a small fraction of what there is to see, so my post was an attempt to find something I'm missing. On the bus ride back home I'll be exhausted, sun-burned, thirsty, and hungry. But I will be feeling very good.

Thanks,

Jim, WD9EYB

>

> It looks like you have everything you need. I gather from your posting
> you have never been to Dayton. Once I had never been either. Take all
>

Date: Wed, 12 May 1999 09:12:15 -0400
From: Scott Howell <whowell@hq.nasa.gov>
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Subject: [40267] who's the tin man
Message-ID: <3.0.5.32.19990512091215.007fb780@mail.hq.nasa.gov>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"

ay folks, who's that dude that collects all kinds of containers and brought a pile to FDI last year. I lost his info and now recall I was going to give him one that is really small. So, maybe he'll be there or maybe I could finally mail the darn thing to him.
so, anyone know who he is and if he'll be at Dayton?

tnx es 72 de Scott/n3byy

Date: Wed, 12 May 1999 08:17:28 -0500 (GMT+5)
From: wd9eyb@butler.indiana.net
To: k4wz@bellsouth.net (RON TODD)
Cc: qrp-l@lehigh.edu (QRP List)
Subject: [40268] Re: RUFZ, Tape Recorder, DXer's Meeting, Dayton, Supercomm, HTML
Message-ID: <199905121317.IAA08027@butler.indiana.net>

MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=US-ASCII
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit
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Ron,

>
> Tell me more about a tape recorder you cange speeds with. Thnaks and good
> idea. Ron
>

I haven't purchased it yet but I think I'm going too.
As an example of what I'm looking for, my 1998 Radio Shack catalog
lists a Micro-31 tape recorder, catalog number 14-1161, \$29.99.
It has two tape speeds and uses the little microcassettes.
I may not buy that one, but it's something like what I want.

Jim, WD9EYB

Date: Wed, 12 May 1999 09:35:52 EDT
From: w4pj@w4bkk.ampr.org
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Subject: [40269] Re: CW speed
Message-ID: <68320@w4bkk.ampr.org>

Ed writes "...until I can send flawless CW."

I wouldn't worry about "flawless" 100% CW. But you want to sound good
enough for easy copy on the other end. I recommend a lot of work sending
off the air using the rigs sidetone generator or a CPO. Also, try tape
recording what you send and playing it back to listen to your fist.

I spent hours and hours on the key while waiting for my Novice ticket
to arrive in the mail. When I finally *DID* get my license in hand
I was ready for some on the air experience. In fact I recieved a few
unsolicited compliments on my fist using a straight key. When I got
my first paddle, my Elmer warned me against learning Iambic but that
was because he was an old Bug user (left-handed) and never got the
hang of using a paddle. I didn't have any old habits to break, having
never used a bug or paddle before, so I went the Iambic route. I'm glad
I did now that I'm comfortable running 35-40 wpm. It seems natural to
"squeeze" but I really can't say anything negative about the "rocking"
method having not learned that way. I find it easier to copy fast CW

40 wpm and up. I guess that's because it demands my concentration and doesn't allow my mind to wander <g>. Also at that speed the dits and dahs are lost and the words and sentences appear. That will only happen after your vocabulary is large enough, and that takes time. Lots of time. You will know you're getting there when you PUT THE PENCIL DOWN. I still have trouble at times sending error-free code at speeds of 45 wpm. so I tell the other op "OK FER UR QRQ" and just keep sending comfortably.

I have to thank the ops who took the time to work me when I was banging away in the Novice bands. Without them I might have floundered. I make it a point to go scan the Novice bands at least once a week for slow fists trying to improve. It's my way of making payments on an unpayable debt to those that did the same for me. It's also a time I like to chase the spiders out of some of my old rigs keeping the dials and knobs turning freely and my straight-key fist in shape.

de Scott / W4PJ QRP-L #1585

Date: Wed, 12 May 1999 08:52:57 -0500 (GMT+5)
From: wd9eyb@butler.indiana.net
To: wvara@butler.indiana.net (), qrp-l@lehigh.edu (QRP List)
Cc: w8kuz@aol.com, jameswr@in-motion.net, osburn@butler.indiana.net ()
Subject: [40270] Hicks Meeting
Message-ID: <199905121352.IAA09949@butler.indiana.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=US-ASCII
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit
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Last night Don, W8UZ, and I drove over to Indy for the Hicks meeting, the Hoosier Contesters and DX Club meeting. I met a lot of interesting people there and learned some good stuff.

The meeting was held at the Old Country Buffet in Westfield (a lot of people think it's Carmel), Indiana, which is just north of Indianapolis. We had a nice meeting room to ourselves. The only problem is the place closes at 9:00 PM.

Joe Pontek, K8JP/V31JP, gave a demonstration of the contest logger TR. He says it's the most flexible of the contest logging programs. You can customize it for just about any contest. It controls the rig. Joe doesn't look at his rig while operating, he looks at the computer screen. It can also control antenna rotors, but Joe doesn't need that because he's got all of the beam headings memorized.

It will also control two radios at once. Joe says he's going to get

back into two radio contesting. Using one to call CQ while you search and pounce with the other. So, if you do that you could be entering the exchange from the last QSO while your tuning the S&P rig in on the next station your going to work and coyping his call.

TR of course sends the exchange foryou as soon as you enter a call in CQ mode. TR also has a keyer built in. You can back up 5 QSO's to make corrections to mistakes.

Near the end of the presentation somebody shouted "CT forever"! Which fired up a discussion about support. I guess CT isn't well supported any more.

The TR web site is <http://www.qth.com/tr/>
They have a free downloadable version that works for Field Day.
The full version is \$60.00.

I have never used it so I'm just reporting what I learned.

It was also mentioned last night that several members use DXBASE or DX4WIN for logging DX contacts. I don't know anything about those. I did note that they're using separate software for contesting and DXing. I guess there's not something that does both really well. It is possible to import data from 1 program to another though.

I took a bunch of pictures last night and hope to have them on my web page sometime after Dayton.

73,

Jim, WD9EYB
wd9eyb@qrp.com

Date: Wed, 12 May 1999 08:55:22 -0500
From: "Walter Dufrain" <walter@inlink.com>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [40271] Re: RUFZ, Tape Recorder, DXer's Meeting, Dayton, Supercomm, HTML
Message-ID: <002601be9c7f\$4bb22ba0\$616ac4ce@nexar>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Hi All, the micro-cassette has been a fine addition to the shack. Without using hard wiring to input audio

from the receiver / transceiver, I am using an earbud that is slipped under a rubberband that is positioned at the microphone. This is a fast hookup and the earbud foam seems to cut out some of the room noise.

The recorder is not used to slow down the code speed but rather to serve as a duplicate record for message traffic handling and working contest. Also the tape is a great review as to your operating techniques and when playing back a contest, etc, you hear both ends, i.e. the other stations and yourself through the side tone.

Being power hungry, you might want to build up a battery eliminator when using the micro-cassette in the shack. For the portable operations, I figure on 2 sets of batteries a day. My little Panasonic uses 2 AA batteries.

When the recorder mechanism wears out, then rip open the case, grab the amplifier board, battery holder, and speaker for installation in a qrp rig.

72 Walter Dufrain, AG5P Wright City, MO

Date: Wed, 12 May 1999 09:48:30 -0500
From: Chuck Adams <adams@ticnet.com>
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Subject: [40272] Email de K5F0
Message-ID: <3.0.3.32.19990512094830.0068b980@pop3.ticnet.com>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"

Gang,

I need no more email and thanks to the group at large.

I am now using Eudora Light, the latest version, and will have to work on the address book and then I'll be rockin' and rollin'.....

dit dit

Date: Wed, 12 May 1999 09:07:35 -0600
From: Larry East <wlhue@amsat.org>
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Subject: [40273] Where's WB5UDE
Message-ID: <3.0.3.32.19990512090735.00964d10@axp1>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"

Anyone know the status of Jim, WB5UDE? Getting no response to email; hope he didn't get blown away by the tornados down there in Oklahoma!

Tnx, L.

Date: Wed, 12 May 1999 10:17:18 -0500
From: Clifton W Sikes <ab5uacw@juno.com>
To: qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU
Subject: [40274] For Sale/Trade.....and one Free
Message-ID: <19990512.101718.3334.0.ab5uacw@juno.com>

First, the freebie. To a N/T wanting to practice and upgrade, not a collector. I have a Heath code practice oscillator, that was given to me by my Elmer. His exact words to me were, don't sell this, give it someone who wants to learn. It is Heath # SK-102.

For sale/trade:

Ameco code practice oscillator \$10.00 Has vol.and tone adjustments.

Two B&W coax switches. 6 positions, 5 ant, and common \$10.00/ea

GC Electronics SWR/FS meter. Sold to CB'ers, but works great from 1.5-144mhz
\$5.00

Speed X hand key. Black wrinkle painted base with brass upper parts.
\$25.00

Ham Key hand key. Rough, but useable. Has a small piece of the plastic broken, around the tension spring. Great feeling key. \$15.00 (I gave

more)

I may have a Yaesu FT-101EE and a Johnson Match Box to go, also. If interested, let me know.

One quickie about code speed. You will NEVER improve, if you don't work someone who pushes you a little. You have to put some effort into it, and break a sweat now and then. If you are a FISTS member, get a code buddy, and tell them you want to improve. If not, find someone to rag chew with every day, and tell them to push you a little. You will improve, but it takes work.

Wish I were at Dayton,

Clif

Clifton Sikes AB5UA QRP-L #478
Earlsboro, Ok.
ab5uacw@juno.com

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Date: Wed, 12 May 1999 10:21:36 -0500
From: Karl.Kanalz@optelinc.com
To: wd9eyb@butler.indiana.net
Cc: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [40275] Re: RUFZ, Tape Recorder, DXer's Meeting, Dayton, Supercomm, HTML
Message-ID: <8625676F.0054BC67.00@hdqsmtp01.optelinc.com>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Disposition: inline

That little micro-cassette tape recorder (the Radio sNack version) will work well. In addition, if you check "Circuit City" or "Best Buy" or "Service Merchandise", they also have micro-cassette recorders with two speeds. Prices, of course, will vary depending on features that are incorporated into the recorder. I have a Panasonic version that has voice activation (to save tape during conference meetings, for example) and two speeds.

Karl K - W8TIF
McKinney, Texas

wd9eyb@butler.indiana.net on 05/12/99 08:17:28 AM

Please respond to wd9eyb@butler.indiana.net

To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
cc: (bcc: Karl Kanalz/hdq/Optel)

Subject: Re: RUFZ, Tape Recorder, DXer's Meeting, Dayton, Supercomm, HTML

Ron,

>
> Tell me more about a tape recorder you cange speeds with. Thnaks and good
> idea. Ron
>

I haven't purchased it yet but I think I'm going too.
As an example of what I'm looking for, my 1998 Radio Shack catalog
lists a Micro-31 tape recorder, catalog number 14-1161, \$29.99.
It has two tape speeds and uses the little microcassettes.
I may not buy that one, but it's something like what I want.

Jim, WD9EYB

Date: Wed, 12 May 1999 11:20:12 EDT
From: SKIPNC90@aol.com
To: qrp-1@lehigh.edu
Subject: [40276] Re: Regen receivers
Message-ID: <d445cf92.246af62c@aol.com>

Date: Wed, 12 May 1999 11:45:49 -0400
From: "Mike Czuhajewski" <wa8mcq@erols.com>
To: "QRP forum" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Cc: "Mike Czuhajewski" <wa8mcq@erols.com>, <baggybob@execpc.com>
Subject: [40278] SMD parts at Dayton, cheap
Message-ID: <199905121541.LAA21269@xanadu.evi-inc.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=ISO-8859-1
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit
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Remember Baggybob, the guy with the cheap SMD parts who I've been buying from at Dayton year after year? He'll be there again this year, and asked that I post this to qrp-l (he's not a subscriber):

Hello, we will be at Dayton Friday, Saturday and Sunday at spaces 4055 & 4056. We have SMT resistor kits, NP0 chip caps, smt transistors in smaller quantities which makes them very affordable for stocking up. Mention this internet message and get a free 900 Mhz PA module. If you can't make it e-mail for a list of what's available. baggybob@execpc.com

As I said, I've been buying from him for years, and also passing on his e-mail list of parts to several people for some time. He has just about the best prices on SMD parts that I've seen, and has a good selection of capacitor values. He also has, or at least had, an SMT resistor assortment, though I don't know if he still has those. If you're interested in SMD, he's worth checking out while at Dayton, or e-mailing him to get his list. (He also has a lot of leaded components, with everything at a dollar a bag--which is why he came to be called baggybob.)

Usual disclaimers.

73 and queue our pea DE WA8MCQ

Date: Wed, 12 May 1999 08:51:06 -0700
From: Allan G Taylor <k7gt@arrl.net>
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Subject: [40279] Ham Radio stamps from Spain
Message-ID: <3739A36A.42B5@arrl.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii

Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit
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The supplier/benefactor who sent out those ham radio stamps from Spain was EA2SN. And they are NICE, too! Thanks, amigo!

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  k7gt@arrl.net         /| /599| \
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..."QRP, QRO, or barefoot..."... [\--=====-/
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Date: Wed, 12 May 1999 09:38:24 -0700 (PDT)
From: Jeff <fantbb@yahoo.com>
To: qrp qrp <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [40280] Re: More fun with a sound card
Message-ID: <19990512163824.18273.rocketmail@web129.yahoo.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii

--- "Brian.Buydens@usask.ca"
<buydens@duke.usask.ca> wrote:
> Speaking of sound cards is there a way of doing
> packet radio by using a
> sound card. I know there was something for the
> Commodore 64 so I thought
> using a sound card would be a lot easier. Also
> many laptops have sound
> cards built in.

I just found this link for soundcard packet!

<http://dl0td.afthd.th-darmstadt.de/~flexnet/soundmodem.html>

Looks interesting!

Jeff
===
Jeff Jones
AB6MB
NorCal QRP Club #65, QRP-L #1780
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Date: Wed, 12 May 1999 10:01:42 -0600
From: tom whalen <wb5qyt@eFortress.com>
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [40281] Ratt's!
Message-ID: <3739A5E6.1C5E@eFortress.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Gang!

I want to build the RATT but my computer wont let me view attachments for some reason. It said I need a "plug in" which I downloaded not only one, but two. It still wont read it. Anyone have any ideas? Also, is it possible for someone to send me the RATT info without using an attachment? Tnx 72, Tom WB5QYT.."Have spud will travel!"

Date: Wed, 12 May 1999 13:16:22 -0400
From: Laura Halliday <lha@sdr.utias.utoronto.ca>
To: "Brian.Buydens@usask.ca" <buydens@duke.usask.ca>
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [40282] Re: More fun with a sound card
Message-ID: <3.0.6.32.19990512131622.007d0930@madrox>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"

At 09:28 AM 5/12/99 -0600, Brian.Buydens@usask.ca wrote:

>Speaking of sound cards is there a way of doing packet radio by using a
>sound card. I know there was something for the Commodore 64 so I thought
>using a sound card would be a lot easier. Also many laptops have sound
>cards built in.

Yes, there are soundcard packet packages available. Flexnet runs under DOS. Linux has support for AX.25 in the kernel with soundcard drivers (written by the Flexnet folks). There are soundcard RTTY and SSTV programs. As well as PSK31, already familiar to QRP-L folks.

Others? Windows 95/98/NT? Anybody?

It's getting steadily easier to argue that external digital boxes are obsolete. Even a crummy sound card can record all the information there is to record in a communications-grade audio signal. Extracting the message in a timely manner is then just a matter of enough compute power, which is a non-issue nowadays.

Laura Halliday VA3LDH "Que les nuages soient notre pied
Grid: FN03gs a terre..." - Hospital/Shafte

Date: Wed, 12 May 1999 11:29:01 -0600
From: "Marshall Emm" <mgemm@mtechnologies.com>
To: "Paul R. Valko" <prvalko@oakland.edu>, qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Subject: [40283] Re: FOX: 1998/99 QRP-L FOXHUNT RESULTS.
Message-ID: <199905121727.LAA09485@edison.chisp.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-type: text/plain; charset=US-ASCII
Content-transfer-encoding: 7BIT
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7BIT

Hi, Paul, Gang--

>>About 9:00pm, THURSDAY EVENING at the Dayton Days Inn South<<

Let's see now, the Fox Hunt was (is) a QRP-L event.

FDIM is a QRP-ARCI event.

Why are the results of our (QRP-L) event being announced first at someone else's? Something tells me that a majority of foxes and hunters won't be there. [g]

>>An email to QRP-L will follow<<

It really should come first, imo.

73
Marshall Emm
N1FN/VK5FN
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Date: Wed, 12 May 1999 12:53:28 -0500
From: The Boices <boice@bigfoot.com>
To: qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU
Subject: [40284] [K2] Battery charging circuit question
Message-ID: <3.0.6.32.19990512125328.00946ce0@mailbox.arn.net>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"

As I sit here impatiently waiting for my K2 to arrive, I've been reading the K2 Field Tester archives about daily. I don't plan on ordering the internal battery option, as I already have a suitable battery, and my own ideas on mounting it inside.

What I am curious about is the "charge controller" circuit Eric and Wayne have used to charge the battery. My intention is to primarily use a 5 watt pv panel, and an AC power supply less frequently (maybe the new RS switching unit). From what I've been able to gain from the posts, there's a switch to manually disconnect the battery if the externally supplied voltage is too low, and a 2 watt current limiting resistor to prevent too-rapid charging of the battery. Anything else? Obviously a schottky diode is needed with the pv panel.

I'm considering just putting my Sun Logic Micro M charge controller inside the K2, and letting it handle it all.

Anyone else planning on doing it their own way?

On another K2 topic, I've found a good carry case for the K2. It's a military surplus plastic ammo box, labled for 30 cartridges of 25mm linked cannon rounds. It isn't light - I think I saw it in catalog at around 11 pounds, but it's not for backpacking, anyway. It's for car and plane (and I suppose boat) travel, where ruggedness is more important than weight. It's about 5.5" by 14" by 14.5" tall (outside), opening at each 5.5 x 14 end. Despite being plastic, it's just about bomb/water/dust/car-driving-over-it proof. I've seen them in catalogs for \$10, but I found mine for \$5 at a local surplus store. Plenty of room inside to add closed-cell foam padding to give a custom fit to the K2.

73,

Mike Boice, KW1ND
Canyon TX
QRP-L # 576

Date: Wed, 12 May 1999 13:06:13 -0500
From: Clifton W Sikes <ab5uacw@juno.com>
To: qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU
Subject: [40285] FS/T stuff
Message-ID: <19990512.130614.6750.18.ab5uacw@juno.com>

Gang,

The coax switches, SWR meter, and SpeedX are gone. I must have priced them too cheap :-). At least they will get new homes, and get used.

Thanks all,

Clifton Sikes AB5UA QRP-L #478
Earlsboro, Ok.
ab5uacw@juno.com

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Date: Wed, 12 May 1999 12:34:45 -0600 (MDT)
From: "Paul Harden, NA5N" <na5n@rt66.com>
To: tom whalen <wb5qyt@eFortress.com>
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [40286] Re: Ratt's!
Message-ID: <Pine.SUN.4.10.9905121229340.5975-1000000@shell.rt66.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: TEXT/PLAIN; charset=US-ASCII

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Tom and others,

I just about have the Desert Ratt 3 schematic loaded with ASCII characters and will hopefully be able to post to the group tonight or tomorrow. That takes hours longer than you planned! So for those of you without reading Doug's attachments or web access, you can print out the post for the schematic (with a little imagination) for building it. It's a pretty simple circuit with 4 transistors and an LM386.

72, Paul NA5N

Date: Wed, 12 May 1999 12:30:22 -0600
From: Larry East <wlhue@amsat.org>
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Subject: [40287] World's Smallest WEB Server
Message-ID: <3.0.3.32.19990512123022.00966670@axp1>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"

Wanta see the world's smallest functioning WEB server? Go to
<http://wearables.stanford.edu/>

Date: Wed, 12 May 1999 14:35:25 -0400 (EDT)
From: Stephan Greene <sgreene@patriot.net>
To: "Brian.Buydens@usask.ca" <buydens@duke.usask.ca>
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [40288] Re: More fun with a sound card
Message-ID: <Pine.LNX.4.10.9905121431410.19047-100000@adams.patriot.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: TEXT/PLAIN; charset=US-ASCII

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> using a sound card would be a lot easier. Also many laptops have sound
> cards built in.

There are a number of programs to do RTTY, various TOR modes, SSTV, and PSK31, etc. using a sound card. Some use the Baycomm interface or similar via serial port to rig, others (usually Win9x software for a more powerful

CPU) go direct from aux audio in/out to the sound card.

Baycomm should support packet; I've never bothered as a TNC and low-end PC did the job for me.

73 Steve KA1LM

Date: Wed, 12 May 1999 14:51:51 -0400 (EDT)
From: "Paul R. Valko" <prvalko@oakland.edu>
To: Marshall Emm <mgemm@mtechnologies.com>
Cc: qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Subject: [40289] Re: FOX: 1998/99 QRP-L FOXHUNT RESULTS.
Message-ID: <Pine.OSF.3.95.990512144549.28416A-100000@saturn1.acs.oakland.edu>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: TEXT/PLAIN; charset=US-ASCII

On Wed, 12 May 1999, Marshall Emm wrote:

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> FDiM is a QRP-ARCI event.
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> else's? Something tells me that a majority of foxes and hunters won't be
> there. [g]

Uhhh... well, the results are not going to be announced at FDiM. I wasn't asked :-(They will be brought to the "Hospitality Suite" at the QRP-L Hotel in Dayton.

> >>An email to QRP-L will follow<<

> It really should come first, imo.

Ok. I was going to "post" the results to QRP-L and the web just before I left the hotel room. So assuming, the magic of the email system is faster than my walk to the suite, it'll appear here BEFORE I get there.

See, I'm easy.

73! =paul= W8KC
Collector of Ten*Tecs and other fine plastics
<<http://www.acs.oakland.edu/~prvalko>>

Date: Wed, 12 May 1999 18:54:09 +0000
From: Ed Loranger <we6w@qsl.net>
To: qrp-1@lehigh.edu
Subject: [40290] Nerd Factor Multiplier
Message-ID: <3739CE51.2DCC@qsl.net>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit
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Hi Gang, I'm sure it won't be long before I can apply the Nerd Factor Multiplier in a QRP contest.

These Bicycle portable operations have whipped the station into shape and has me understanding the posts of others much better. Shoot, it's darn near time to go from bicycle portable to bicycle mobile.

I'm thinking of a rope sling "hammock" for the rig held in front of the handlebars. Velcro closures for quick installation/removal. The rope sling should eliminate much of any microphonics.

The wandering mind envisions a practical limit for a vertical (hey, ya gotta clear them overhead streetlights!) And I don't want to cause a scene if I fall.

I know I've watered the seeds of this flower before, but I'm just about ready to be the gardener at this time.

There won't be any practical application of the Vibroplex bug while peddaling so it looks like I'll use a keyer. (What? You thought I'd go VOICE while mobile!) Shoot, I looked up MIKE in the dictionary and still don't see a use for it in my operation.

The antenna is going to be a major fun event, I'm sure. And operating the tuning knob on the radio will add new depth to my skillset I'm sure.

For bonus points on top of the nerd factor, perhaps a propeller hat is in order.

90% of the fun is in the journey. Wagon's Ho!

72/Ed we6w/BM-Bound.

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-Ed AR QRP Millennium QSO's=624/2000 QRP-L#1068
72, Ed WE6W, A-1 OP; <http://www.qsl.net/we6w> Santa Rosa, CA
QRP-Z#106 AR#112 HI-QRP#64 NC#2227 ARCI#9397 ARS#275

Date: Wed, 12 May 1999 11:59:57 -0700
From: "Radman" <radman@best.com>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [40291] "K2-Unleashed" -- coming soon...
Message-ID: <199905121857.LAA19508@proxy3.ba.best.com>
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72 - Conrad - NN6CW

K2 Journal Entry. Radman. US K2-Team, Climber #06, Day 12
-- 02:17:18 UTC Headed for the summit:

..... Bivouacked some 1,630 feet below the howling summit
of K2, a climber's nickname for the 26,469 foot Himalayan
Godwin Austen, I forced the bitter memories of the seven
lost Sherpas behind me. Wasn't it enough that Boukreev,
Krzystof and Bianchi had 'paid the piper' when their
carabiners peeled-off the ice wall like cheap plastic
buttons ripped from a silk bowling shirt? How many more
sacrifices would there be? Would I be next? Low on oxygen
and shivering, I devoured the last of the beef jerky and
Gatorade -- an odd soup -- and watched my sputtering
butane stove go silently into the night. I rolled over to
check on my climbing partner, Ian, one of the lads from
the UK team. Poor blaggard. Zipped in his mummy bag, his

trademark grin was frozen on his silly face; his eyes stiff in their icy sockets. His right hand gripped his Elecraft Errata sheets. His left hand was welded to his roll of solder. Soldering at 25,000 feet? Costly error, my friend! I cut loose my climbing harness and frisked Ian for the last of his Snicker's bars, his Rolex watch and the flag of his country. The sunrise sliced through the wind-blown hell of the Karakorum as I headed for the summit of the Hindu Kush -- the top 'o the hill. Rest easy, Ian. I'll climb it for the both of us. Your Union Jack flies first, Old Glory goes second. We owe you something for that nasty Tea Party incident... odd how the human mind works five miles above sea level... and thank God, Wayne didn't name his radio, Godwin Austen...

Date: Wed, 12 May 1999 15:09:49 -0400
From: "Ed Tanton" <n4xy@att.net>
To: <radman@best.com>, "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [40292] RE: "K2-Unleashed" -- coming soon...
Message-ID: <000a01be9cab\$01ce71c0\$01010101@n4xy>
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OK... you asked for the pun:

Is the name of this epic to be "Austin QRPowers?"

///snip

"...name his K2 Godwin Austen..."

///snip

Obscure pun... but the movie goers will get it.

72 / 73 Ed N4XY email: <n4xy@arrl.net>

Date: Wed, 12 May 1999 12:36:38 -0600

From: tom whalen <wb5qyt@eFortress.com>
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Cc: na5n@rt66.com
Subject: [40293] RATT info
Message-ID: <3739CA36.70F2@eFortress.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
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Gang!

Thanks for all the posts on helping me with the Ratt attachment. I will just wait for Paul's new version.

Thanks to all and 72, Tom WB5QYT..."Have spud will travel!"

Date: Wed, 12 May 1999 15:36:17 -0400
From: "Mike Yetsko" <myetsko@insydesw.com>
To: <we6w@qsl.net>, "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [40294] Re: Nerd Factor Multiplier
Message-ID: <000601be9cae\$b5f18720\$9001a8c0@mikey>
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Well...

I'm not going to operate CW from my bike, but I do want FM. When I bought my Gold Wing Interstate, the previous owner left a Kenwood 2M unit in the faring. But he kept his helmet with the earphone and the mic.

I'm not sure I want to put an electret on a boom in front of my open face helmet, so I'm thinking of putting an electret on the faring just above where the clock and voltmeter display are, just under the clear windscreen.

To do that I'll have to aim it back at me and put a really high gain amp on it. Then to limit engine noise, I'll mount it in a soft 'tube'. Has anyone done this already? Any idea what kind of gain figures I'm gonna need? I know it'll have to be high. I'm just wondering if I can get enough

without
all kinds of other problems creeping in.

It was suggested that I use two microphones, and set them up in some kind of a 'reinforcing' arrangement. But I plan on just one setup first.

I just wonder if I should just bag it and put up with the boom mic on the helmet. (I don't have the official Honda Helmet with the boom mic built in for the driver/passenger intercom.)

Mike Yetsko
N1DVJ

Date: Wed, 12 May 1999 14:38:08 -0500
From: kreinbd@ccgate.dl.nec.com (David Kreinberg)
To: qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU
Subject: [40295] Thanks for the rig offers!!
Message-ID: <00133CF7.4159@ccgate.dl.nec.com>
Mime-Version: 1.0
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Folks,

About a week ago, I asked the list about anyone having a good, used, older rig for sale. (to give to my son who is showing interest in ham radio.) I received lots of offers. Thanks to each one who responded to my post.

I have found a winner. It is an older Ten Tec and I'm very excited about becoming a proud TT owner.

To those new hams wanting their first rig: This list has a lot of people with good used rigs out there. I'm sure if you just ask, people will have something you are looking for and in your price range. One man's extra just may be your treasure!

73 de Dave, NR3E
QRP-L #25

nr Dallas, TX

Date: Wed, 12 May 1999 16:10:45 -0400
From: "Richard E. Robinson" <rerobins@email.uncc.edu>
To: radman@best.com
Cc: qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Subject: [40296] Re: "K2-Unleashed" -- coming soon...
Message-ID: <v03102806b35f8fec203e@[152.15.144.71]>
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>climber's journal, "K2-Unleashed." Following is a teaser
>from the movie version ;)
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Conrad,

Let me guess, you and Nils have been out back sniffing solder smoke again,
right? ;>)

72,

Rick kf4ar

Date: Wed, 12 May 1999 16:23:32 EDT
From: Robsparks@aol.com
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Subject: [40297] AR QRP Net tonight
Message-ID: <95469d1c.246b3d44@aol.com>
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AR-QRP 40 m Net Wednesday Night

The AR-QRP 40 m net is tonight, Wednesday, at 0030Z (7:30 CDT) at 7.042 MHz.
Bob, AB5ZD is NCS and will be calling "QST AR QRP NET de NQ5RP PSE QNI".
(Note the use of our new club call!) At that time, please send your full

call. When I copy it, I will return your call and AS (stand by) while more call in. When I have the list, I will start at the top and go down the list for reports and comments. If you are trying a new rig or antenna, tell us about it! This is a fun, informal net. It is a low hassle way to learn how to check into a net, and you don't need to be a member of the AR-QRP Club to check in. We welcome new check-ins!

72,

Bob AB5ZD

Date: Wed, 12 May 1999 15:53:17 -0500
From: "Tom Moll" <tomm@xata.com>
To: <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [40298] Rectifier info ?
Message-ID: <000401be9cb9\$76594fc0\$4baa7acf@tomm.XATA-CORP>
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Does anyone have a data book that lists the specs on a
1N3487 rectifier, or list a "modern" substitute ? TIA
Tom Moll N0BS

Date: Wed, 12 May 1999 16:40:57 -0500
From: Clifton W Sikes <ab5uacw@juno.com>
To: qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU
Subject: [40299] Code oscillator has new home
Message-ID: <19990512.164504.6622.9.ab5uacw@juno.com>

The free code practice oscillator is going to Richard KC8FMT, a no-code
Tech,
with a desire to learn. Elmer is smiling ;-)

72,

Clif AB5UA

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